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SUMMARY: THIS CONTAINS FIRST HALF HIGHLIGHTS AND MONTHLY CRUDE OIL THROUGHPUT AND EXPORTS OF THE TRANS-ARABIAN PIPE LINE (TAPLINE) FROM SAUDI ARABIA AND THE TWO-TERMINAL LINE USED BY IRAQ NATIONAL OIL CO. (INCO) TO EXPORT KIRKUK CRUDE THROUGH BANIAS, SYRIA, AND TRIPOLI, LEBANON. TAPLINE: WITH EXCEPTION OF MARCH DROP TO 267,378 BPD, TAPLINE SHOWED GRADUAL DROP FROM JANUARY HIGH OF 372,702 BPD TO JUNE LOW OF 265,154. THIS REFLECTS REASONAL DROP IN DEMAND AND IN TANKER RATE, EXAGGERATED THIS YEAR BY SHARP DROP DEMAND DUE HIGH OIL PRICES. APRIL AND MAY EXPORTS MAY REFLECT TEMPORARY USE OF TAPLINE BY PETROMIN FOR SPECIAL SPOT SHIPMENT. IRAQ: RATHER IRREGULAR PATTERN INOC EXPORTS, WHICH PEAKED IN MARCH AT 1,033 MBPD, DUE RECOVERY FROM OCTOBER WAR, SHORT-LIVED FLOOD DAMAGE NEAR IRAQ BORDER, FIRST-QUARTER WEATHER DIFFICULTIES AT WAR-DAMAGED BANIAS TERMINAL FOLLOWED BY SECOND-QUARTER ADJUSTMENTS TO BALANCE ANNUAL THROUGHPUT AT AGREED 60/40 RATIO BETWEEN BANIAS AND TRIPOLI. MAY DROP PROBABLY REFLECTS EARLY COMPLETION MAY 23 OF IPC COMPENSATION OIL SHIPMENT, BEFORE COMPLETION SHIPPING ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER CUSTOMERS. RELIABLE TRADE JOURNAL SAYS KIRKUK PRICE AT COAST DROPPED TO \$12.20/BBL MID-JUNE ADN REMAINS THERE JULY. JULY VOLUME OUTLOOK ABOUT SAME AS JUNE. HOMS REFINERY TAKING NORMAL SUPPLIES FROM JANUARY ONWARD BUT BANIAS TANK FARM NOT YET BE REBUILT. MONTHLY DATA, WHICH SUPPLIED IN BARRELS THROUGHOUT AND IS AUTHORITATIVE, IS NOT RPT NOT FOR PUBLICATION. ROUNDED TOTALS MAY BE PUBLISHED. SOURCE IS AMERICAN EMBASSY, BEIRUT. END SUMMARY

FOLLOWING TABLE CONTAINS MONTHLY BARREL TOTALS FOR THE THREE TERMINALS IN THREE COLUMNS: MONTH (NUMBERED), THROUGHPUT (ACTUAL) AND EXPORTS:

1. TAPLINE

1	12052838	11553752
2	11931160	10167146
3	8680774	8288715
4	9889882	9921057
5	8815421	9136759

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6	7426821	7954612
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2. BANIAS

1	13981073	12909825
2	18134203	17163914
3	20656470	19589403
4	15291519	14247958

5	13773345	12504771
6	15281972	14644093

3. TRIPOLI

1	12392756	11280155
2	11405289	10417954
3	13419857	12425587
4	12373620	11442588
5	7157845	6292884
6	9847683	8872793

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